

UNSUCCESSFUL.

Never all is over; we have laid
Our dead friend in his quiet bed;
Fall in their dying we the dead.
Above the freshly cover'd mound,
The autumn sky in silence wept;
And clinging mists uncertain round
The place where his own body sleeps.

Never all is over; yet we dream—
Our sweet thoughts about him still,
And in our prayers his well-loved name;
Gilding in without our connection with
Our wavy eyes where'er they roam
Find traces of his presence yet;

The empty room the silent tomb,
Can speak, and bid us not forget.

In heart's remembrance, not in grief;
We think upon our friend at rest;

Exported on the great road.

Death was to him a welcome guest;
The reaper's way, the weeping morn
Forsooth from his lips a bitter cry,
And honest all the hold on him.

Before he had time down to die,

A provider of the heavenly truth
In this discontented jailing time.

The love and power of his youth.

His hope and health his day and night;
His time, his will, his merit he gave all,

To change man's darkness into light.

To help and cheer, to stem and save.

Strange man's the hidden ways of God!

When, telling now and watching late,
In anxious way his servant trod.

And only heard one saying "walk."

From his to cheer him up again.

And now with hope grow slowly pale.

Was his with mighty feet to cope,

To work, to fight, and then to fall.

For this we pray him that through days

Of doubt, distress, suspense, wrong,

In patient faith, with heavenly grace,

We labor, strengthen, and strengthen.

Forstred by friends or distant friends,

Forstred by promises of success,

He pray'd and trusted to the end.

—Leisure Hours

CHINESE MERCHANTS.

The Honor They Maintain in Their Sons

and Daughters.

Mr. Moule, in his "New China and Old," writes after thirty years' residence in that country as a missionary, gives the native merchants an enviable reputation for integrity. Indeed what he has to say upon this point may very well set an American reader to thinking. If not to thinking, says the Youth's Companion.

One general statement may be made as to the character of Chinese business men. It used to be a common dictum that the word of a Cantonese Hong merchant was worth as much as another man's bond.

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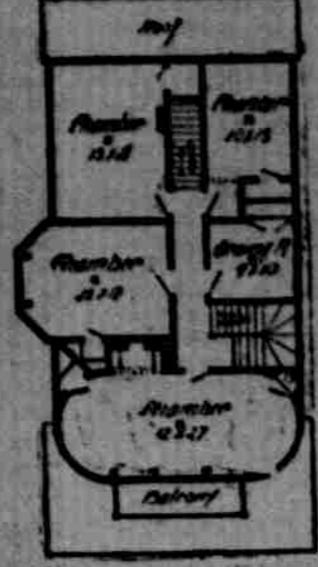
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